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following:

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 4, 2004, in the above-referenced patent application, please enter the following amendment and reconsider the application in view of the amendment and the remarks set forth below. It is believed that the Amendment places the case in condition for allowance and that no new matter has been added.